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1. [REDACTED] Lisa Gerard, from the Office of Management and Budget, called to advise that they were giving a "no objection" clearance on our proposed report to Chairman Hebert, House Armed Services Committee, on H. R. 1600, a bill "To amend the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 to prohibit the Agency from contributing funds to domestic organizations." STATSPEC

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3. [REDACTED] In response to her request, sent five sets of employment applications and brochures to Willa Rawls, in the office of Representative Silvio O. Conte (R., Mass.).

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4. [REDACTED] In response to a request from the office of Representative Walter S. Baring, arranged a personnel interview for [REDACTED] for Wednesday, 26 May at 11:30 with [REDACTED]

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5. [REDACTED] Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, called and said he thought Monday, 7 June, would be a good date for our budget session and added he would let us know if he ran into any difficulty on this date. He said his present plan is to have the Director cover the community and Agency budgets in the morning of the 7th, continuing into the afternoon if necessary; having Froehlike Tuesday morning, DIA Tuesday afternoon, and finishing with satellite programs on Wednesday. See Memo for the Record.

Met with Woodruff later in the day and talked with him about arrangements for a meeting with John Clarke (D/PPB), James Frey (OMB), and Ralph Preston (House Appropriations Committee staff) regarding the Radios. 25X1
Woodruff brought up the subject of Senator Case's [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and asked for a paper on the subject. See Memo for the Record.

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11. [REDACTED] Mrs. Mabel Downey, in the Senate Subcommittee on Criminal Laws and Procedures, advised that the hearings on the recommendations by the National Commission on Reform of Federal Criminal Laws will resume sometime in July and suggested that I be back in touch with them in a week or so when Chief Counsel, G. Robert Blakey, will be back in the office to discuss with him the prospects of the proposed legislation.

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12. [REDACTED] Received a call from Mr. Floyd, of the reporting firm of Ward & Paul, who advised that the transcript of Monday's Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearings on legislative proposals for funding RFE and RL is ready for pickup the first thing tomorrow morning.

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13. [REDACTED] Talked to Mrs. Lois G. Myers, Employee Benefits Subcommittee staff, who told me that Representatives Brasco (D., N.Y.), Hogan (R., Md.), and Powell (D., N.Y.) are the Subcommittee members to be picked up at the Cannon Building on Wednesday, 9 June, for breakfast meeting at the Agency. The other members will be driving their personal cars.

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14. [REDACTED] Talked to Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and scheduled a meeting in his office with Messrs. Woodruff, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, Clarke, OPPB, and James Frey, of OMB, for 10:00 a.m. Thursday, 3 June, to review OMB proposals for funding RFE and RL.

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15. [REDACTED] Received a call from Miss Jean Smith, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, who requested that Mr. Clifford Hackett, a new Committee staff member who will be working with the [REDACTED]

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16. [REDACTED] Received a call from Mrs. Mary Swann, Administrative Assistant to F. Edward Hebert (D., La.), concerning Agency summer employment opportunities. Mrs. Swann said she was quite sure that we would not have an open program due to security considerations but that she has had several requests from constituents in recent days.

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17. [redacted] Met with Mr. Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and discussed H.R. 8371, a bill "To amend the National Security Act of 1947 to specify certain activities in which the Central Intelligence Agency may not engage." Mr. Slatinshek said the Committee has requested our views and recommendations but that in this instance it might be good to delay actual response to the Committee at least until the Defense bills have cleared the floor of the House so that questions concerning the status of the bill could be answered simply that reports have been requested. Mr. Slatinshek would also appreciate it if we would review our response with him in draft prior to final answer. Mr. Slatinshek again mentioned the various security leaks in the press that have occurred such as the quotational statements given in executive session [redacted]

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[redacted] He told me that the Committee anticipates some rather stiff questioning on the floor of the House possibly generated by some of their own members and asked that we add a fourth question to the ones given Mr. Maury and [redacted] yesterday. He asked that we provide a brief rundown of every Agency program where we are involved in the organization, financing, and operation of overseas activities. He indicated that although the present emphasis is on Indochina, they would appreciate advice on such activities worldwide so that the Chairman can be forewarned. I told Mr. Slatinshek that I would relay the Committee's request.

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I briefed Mr. Slatinshek on the following items: Soviet sub tender in the Caribbean; Soviet communication satellites; pending major Soviet space operations; Soviet missile warhead deployment; North Vietnamese advances on Route 9 in Laos; and new ChiCom submarine, space tracking facility and MIG 19 production.

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18. [redacted] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, who told me that Chairman Mahon recast the schedule of hearings for the Committee to complete Defense hearings, if at all possible, by 10 June. In consequence, Mr. Preston himself has had to cancel his European trip which was scheduled for this weekend. In keeping with the new Committee schedule, there is a good probability that the Agency budget hearing will be scheduled for either 15 or 16 June.

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Thursday - 20 May 1971

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1. [REDACTED] Met with Mr. James Lowenstein and Mr. Richard Moose, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, and gave them a map outlining the areas of Laos controlled by North Vietnamese forces. See Journal of 19 May. They were most appreciative of the Agency assistance provided in the preparation of the map. Mr. Lowenstein said that as soon as their report is ready, they will pass it to use for our review and sterilization of source references.

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2. [REDACTED] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and gave him a blind memorandum dated 19 May concerning Jack Anderson's allegations relating to CIA and Air America complicity in narcotics traffic in Indochina. Mr. Preston told me that he had talked to Chairman Mahon yesterday about the fact that there has been no meeting of the Special Group this year. However, Mr. Mahon did not set a date for meeting.

I also briefed Mr. Preston on Brezhnev's proposal for negotiations on MBFR; Soviet sub tender and deisel submarines headed toward Caribbean; Soviet silo construction and Soviet bomber "backfire."

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3. [REDACTED] Mr. Cord Meyer, ADDP, and I accompanied David Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, and Richard Davies, Bureau of European Affairs in State, to a meeting with Senator Clifford P. Case (R., N. J.) and John Marks, of his staff, to discuss legislation being introduced by Senator Case to create a private corporation to handle public funding for Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. See Memo for the Record.

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4. [REDACTED] Received from Mrs. Lois Meyers, Employees Benefit Subcommittee of House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, a transcript of the Committee hearings of 19 May for review by DDS.

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